



Novel Proteins and Nucleic Acids Encoding Same

RELATED APPLICATIONS

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This is a request for filing a new nonprovisional application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).

This application claims priority to U.S.S.N. 60/274,322 filed on March 8, 2001 (Cura 590); U.S.S.N. 60/283,675 filed on April 13, 2001 (Cura 590D1); U.S.S.N. 60/338,092 filed on December 3, 2001 (Cura 590D2); U.S.S.N. 60/274,281 filed on March 8, 2001

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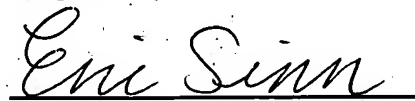
Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to novel polypeptides that are targets of small molecule drugs and that have properties related to stimulation of biochemical or physiological responses in a cell, a tissue, an organ or an organism. More particularly, the novel polypeptides are gene products of novel genes, or are specified biologically active fragments or derivatives thereof. Methods of use encompass diagnostic and prognostic assay procedures as well as methods of treating diverse pathological conditions. The present invention discloses novel associations of proteins and polypeptides and the nucleic acids that encode them with various diseases or pathologies. The proteins and related proteins that are similar to them, are encoded by a cDNA and/or by genomic DNA. The proteins, polypeptides and their cognate nucleic acids were identified by Curagen Corporation in certain cases. The XYZase-encoded protein and

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the present application complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(l) and §§ 1.821-1.825. If there are any questions regarding these amendments and remarks, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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